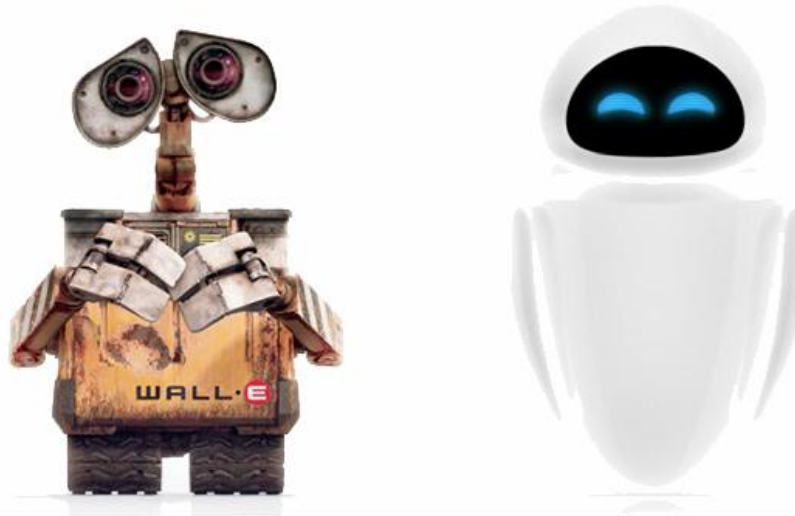


6.8 Changing Social Mores In Canada



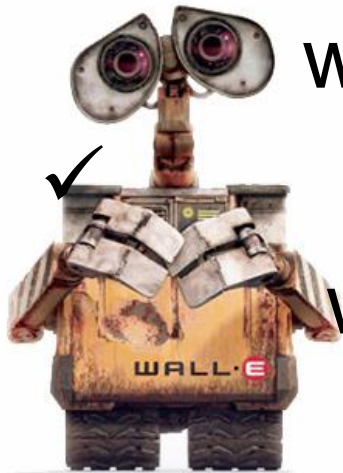
Changing Social Mores in Canada

- Sociologists classify our behaviours into a number of categories

Folkway

- ✓ Behaviours that a typical member of society would usually practise.

- ✓ If a folkway is violated the person would still be accepted in society.



Changing Social Mores in Canada

Social Mores

- ✓ behaviours regarded as essential to the welfare and survival of the group.
- ✓ breaking a social more is not acceptable to soceity but with changing attitudes this view is slowly changing



Changing Social Mores in Canada

Social Mores

✓ Canada's Flokways and Social Mores have changed dramatically over generations



✓ We will look at four areas in which our social mores have changed and how these changes affect our well being

Changing Social Mores: Tolerance to Violence



Changing Social Mores: Tolerance to Violence

- ✓ There is a growing tolerance for depictions of violence in the media
- ✓ Psychologists worry that much media programming designed for young people provide them with poor role models
- ✓ Starts on Saturday morning cartoons



Changing Social Mores: Tolerance to Violence

- ✓ The Media Awareness Network found that by the time most children are 12 they have seen up to 12 000 violent deaths on TV
- ✓ Defenders of the programming often state that children recognize that it's a cartoon and that it's fake



Changing Social Mores: Tolerance to Violence

✓ Psychologists point out that violence is a learned behaviour and that early and continued exposure can condition children to act in violent ways

✓ Particular concern is directed at movies and music



Changing Social Mores: Tolerance to Violence

Eminem- Love the Way You Lie

I'm tired of the games
I just want her back
I know I'm a liar

If she ever tries to fucking leave again
I'mma tie her to the bed
And set the house on fire



Changing Social Mores: Tolerance to Violence

Eminem- Kim

Sit down bitch

If you move again I'll beat the shit out of you

There's a four year old boy lyin' dead with a
slit throat

In your living room, ha-ha



Changing Social Mores: Attitudes Toward “Recreational” Drugs

- *Article Kate returns to the runway*
- ✓ Slightly humorous way of reporting a tragic story
- ✓ Talking about a young successful woman who developed a drug problem



Changing Social Mores: Attitudes Toward “Recreational” Drugs

- ✓ Tolerance for reformed drug laws are moving forward (DWI, DUI)
- ✓ Attitudes towards recreational drugs are based on three misconceptions:



Changing Social Mores: Attitudes Toward “Recreational” Drugs

1. Drug use usually leads to criminal behaviour

2. Drugs usually lead to addictions

3. Most adolescents are pressured to use drugs



Changing Social Mores: Work Related Stress

- ✓ Growing perception emerged that government had become too big and costly, and it's role in the economy should be reduced



- ✓ Globalization- employees were expected to do more with less, departments merged, perks reduced and benefits cut back

Changing Social Mores: Work Related Stress

- ✓ Social mores have shifted so that employees now expect to work harder and put in more hours than they did 20 years ago.

- ✓ All this leads to a level of **work-related stress**



Changing Social Mores: Work Related Stress

- ✓ Studies have shown stress is more prevalent where mental pressure is persistent and the sense of personal control low



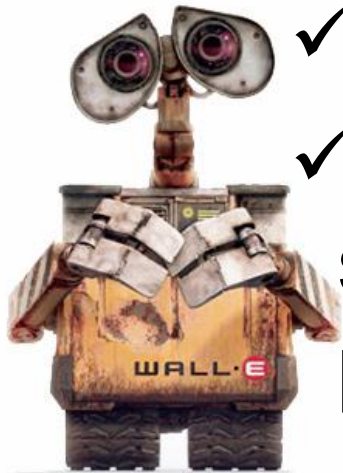
Changing Social Mores: Aboriginal Health Initiatives

- ✓ Our system based on Western worldview;
human body as a machine and illness as a
breakdown in the machine
- ✓ The role of the medical personnel is to
repair machine



Changing Social Mores: Aboriginal Health Initiatives

- ✓ First Nations and Inuit; human body is not a machine that can be fixed independently of a person's spirit
- ✓ All parts of the patients life must be healed
- ✓ Restoring balance
- ✓ Physical, emotional, social and spiritual aspects of healing and promotes personal role in healing



Changing Social Mores: Aboriginal Health Initiatives

- ✓ Social mores have changed in this regard because anthropologists have demonstrated that it is necessary to respect cultural differences among the population when designing health programs

